

ARGUMENT AGAINST PROPOSITION 72

Real health care reform should control costs and cover more people but Proposition 72 fails that test. Passed by the legislature with no meaningful hearings and signed by Governor Davis just days before he was recalled, Proposition 72 creates a huge government-run health care system funded by \$7 billion in new taxes on employers and workers.

WORKERS MAY LOSE PRIVATE COVERAGE

Proposition 72 may hurt people who already have health coverage through their employer. You could get forced out of your current plan and into the government-run system! Under Proposition 72 you could lose access to your personal doctor and hospital and end up with a high deductible policy that requires you to pay thousands out of your pocket before getting coverage.

BUREAUCRATS GIVEN TOO MUCH POWER

Under Prop. 72, bureaucrats determine what medical services and providers are covered by the state-run health system and how much you'll pay to support the government-run plan. There are no caps on the administrative fees they can charge. The Orange County Register called it health care with, "the bedside manner of the DMV."

PAY WHETHER YOU WANT IT OR NOT

Proposition 72 is poorly written. You can't decline coverage even if you don't want it or can't afford your share of costs! Employees will pay up to 20% of the cost!

KILLS JOBS/ECONOMY

Proposition 72 will damage California's economy and mean MORE PEOPLE WITHOUT INSURANCE because thousands will lose their jobs as companies close or move out of state. California businesses already struggling with high workers' comp and energy costs just can't afford billions in new health care costs.

COSTS WORKERS \$1,700 PER FAMILY

Covered workers will be forced to pay up to 20% of the premiums. The Los Angeles Economic Development Corporation estimates family coverage will cost workers up to \$1,700 per year.

Employers must pay 80% of the cost. Many must also pay for dependent coverage, costing over \$6,800 per worker each year.

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COSTS SCHOOLS AND NON-PROFITS MILLIONS

The Association of California School Administrators says Proposition 72 will cost school districts hundreds of millions annually – money urgently needed in classrooms! Non-profit organizations like Easter Seals and the Goodwill of Long Beach and South Bay oppose Prop. 72 because it makes it harder to provide services to people in need.

Here's how Proposition 72 damages Californians:

“At Easter Seals, the high costs and mandates of Proposition 72 will force us to stop creating new and needed services for people with disabilities.”

Gary Kasai, President, Easter Seals Superior California

“Proposition 72 will mandate the worst kind of managed health care we have. This means there will be more and more patients with terrible insurance.”

Thomas LaGrelus, MD, President, California Chapter,
Association of American Physicians and Surgeons

“Prop. 72 will discourage those of us who have worked so hard to fulfill the American dream from growing their business and providing more jobs in our communities. Some will simply have to close shop.”

C.C. Yin, Restaurant Owner.

JOIN EMPLOYERS, EDUCATORS, DOCTORS, NON-PROFITS AND TAXPAYERS:
VOTE NO ON PROPOSITION 72!

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